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WASHINGTON, DC - Today, U.S. Rep. Michael Arcuri (NY-24) announced that the Oneida County District Attorney's Office will receive a Congressional earmark worth \$215,000 to equip law enforcement agencies throughout the county with a comprehensive records management system maintained, utilized and accessed by all departments.

"As the former Oneida County District Attorney, I understand how critical it is for our area's law enforcement agencies to work together and share as much information as possible in order to fight crime and get criminals off the streets," **Arcuri said**, "I am pleased to continue to work together with the DA's office and the other great law enforcement offices in Oneida County to keep Oneida County safe."

"This funding will help us reach our goal of seamless information sharing between law enforcement agencies throughout Oneida County," **Oneida County District Attorney Scott D. McNamara said**, "This project represents a bold step forward using technology to fight gangs and violent crime in our community."

This funding is part of the Congressionally Selected Awards Program and was included in the Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2009. The Gang Task Force Initiative in Oneida County aims to allow multiple law enforcement agencies to access pertinent information regarding gang investigations and gang intelligence. This sharing of information will allow law enforcement agencies to be even more prepared to fight back against gangs and gang violence in Oneida County and keep officers safe on the streets.

Arcuri secured this funding by submitting an earmark request on behalf of the Oneida County District Attorney's Office for Fiscal Year 2009.

Arcuri previously announced this funding after the 2009 Omnibus Appropriations Bill passed the House of Representatives in February and the money is now being distributed.

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